

[Mr. C. P. Kochukunju Pillai.]

(f) and (g) The answer is in the affirmative.

(h) The advantages and disadvantages were considered before the removal was ordered as a tentative measure.

Muvattupuzha English High School.

386. MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha*): (a) Do the Government know that the taluks of Todupuzha, Muvattupuzha and Kunnatnad, which lie far away from the capital and from the sea-coast, are very backward in point of English education?

(b) Will the Government be pleased to award, as building grant, at least half the cost of the English High School building that is being constructed by the people at Muvattupuzha which lies in the middle of these three taluks?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*):

(a) The answer is in the affirmative.

(b) The answer is in the negative.

Duty on Lemon Grass Oil.

387. MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha*): (a) At what tariff value is duty on lemon grass oil realised at the Customs Houses?

(b) Do the Government know what the highest market value for lemon grass oil was within the last two years?

(c) Are the Government aware that the present tariff value of that oil is much higher than its market value?

(d) Will the Government be pleased to make the necessary arrangements for the duty being realised in future with reference to the actual market value of the oil?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*):

(a) The member is referred to page 352 of the *Almanac and Directory* for 1924.

(b) and (c) Government have no information.

(d) Market value fluctuates. Hence in British India customs duties are levied on tariff value. That is a conventional value fixed with a view to meet the fluctuations in prices at the markets of consumption. The tariff rates fixed in British India are generally followed in the State.

Examiners in the English Second Paper, English School Leaving Certificate Examination, 1924.

388. MR. C. P. KOCHUKUNJU PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) the name of the Chief Examiner in the English Second Paper for the E. S. L. C. Examination, 1924.

(b) the names of the Assistant Examiners appointed for the valuation of papers under him ;

(c) the total number of papers for valuation ;

(d) the number of papers distributed for valuation to each of the Assistant Examiners ;

(e) whether all the valued papers have been returned to the Chief Examiner by the Assistant Examiners ;

(f) whether any of the Assistant Examiners are related to the Chief Examiner ; and

(g) if so, who they are ?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) :

(a) Mr. P. G. Sahasranama Aiyar, M. A., Professor of English, His Highness the Maha Raja's College, Trivandrum.

(b) and (d) —

Name.	No. of papers.
Messrs. T. N. Velu Pillai	228
C. P. Thomas	236
G. Mahadeva Aiyar	240
P. G. Krishna Aiyar	238
R. Venkatesvara Aiyar	237
K. M. Thomas	236
C. A. Rangasai	240
V. K. Philip	240
Srimati B. Anandavalli Amma	237
Miss Laura M. Noe	237

(c) 2,801.

(e) The answer is in the affirmative.

(f) and (g) Mr. P. G. Krishna Aiyar is related to the Chief Examiner.

Tickets of Admission for Members of the Legislative Council.

389. MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*) : (a) What amount is spent by the Government in printing tickets for the admission of members to the meetings of the Legislative Council each year ?

(b) What purpose is served by issuing such tickets to members ?

(c) Is there any harm in dispensing with such tickets for the admission of members to the Council Hall ?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) :

(a) Re. 1-18 ch. 2 cash for one meeting of the Legislative Council. This amount includes the cost of paper also.

(b) and (c) Only those who have tickets are entitled to admission to the Council Hall and hence tickets are necessary for members of the Council also. If, however, the members will not be inconvenienced thereby, Government have no objection to arrange for the issue of a single ticket for the entire term of office of each member.